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From the Office of Fifth District Supervisor Jerry Eaves

Project Update - Route 210

Construction of the Route 210 freeway on either side of the boundary between San Bernardino and Los Angeles counties is occurring simultaneously. The first phase of the new freeway extends nearly twenty miles from the City of La Verne to Sierra Avenue in Fontana where the I-15/SR-210 interchange is already open to traffic.

Paving of the freeway lanes has already begun starting at the San Bernardino county line in the city of Upland and moving east. The paving operation involves three separate layers of concrete and asphalt and requires multiple passes of the automated machinery used to pave the freeway lanes.

Design work is nearly completed on the extension of the Route 210 from Sierra Avenue in Fontana to Interstate 215 in San Bernardino. State funding issues have recently been in the news indicating that construction of the remaining segments may be delayed for up to three years. However, I am working together with local and state officials to resolve the issue and prevent construction delays.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Call the Route 30/210 Hotline (888) 740-3030

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New Muscoy Fire Station

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors acted on April 23 to bring a new fire station for Muscoy closer to reality by launching a search for an architect to design, engineer and submit construction plans and specifications for the replacement station in the unincorporated area between San Bernardino and Rialto.

The Central Valley Fire Protection District operates fire stations throughout Fontana and surrounding unincorporated areas, including the community of Muscoy, for fire suppression, medical aid and related emergency services. The current Muscoy fire station is a converted residential home that is more than forty years old. This facility is completely inadequate for use as an essential services facility and requires replacement.

On March 13, 2001 the Board of Supervisors accepted property in Muscoy donated by Neal Baker, founder of the Baker's chain of drive-thru restaurant, for a new fire station. The fire district has identified the minimum size station required to provide necessary services to the community. The search for an architect is the next step in making this project a reality.

Proposals are scheduled to be received on June 13, 2002. An appointed selection committee comprised of representatives of the County Fire Department, Board of Supervisors, and the County Purchasing Department will evaluate the submitted proposals. The committee will evaluate the proposals and recommend one of the firms to the Board for its consideration and approval.

Total cost for the architectural services is projected to not exceed \$150,000 and will be funded from the fire district's capital improvement account and Community Development Block Grant money allocated by Supervisor Eaves. Other district and federal funds have been set aside for the construction phase of this project.

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